Mr. Behiff's Attitude.

would be victorious only in a small way.

Germany has won not even a little vic-

not take Calais, nor even Verdun. She

ful citizens, women and children; she

destroyed millions of private property.

population to starve, as they would have

done had not the United States and

England gone to the rescue. She helped

an alliance with the Turk, she furnished

the Turk with arms, ammunition and

their women and children into the desert

Having failed to punish England, ex-

merchant ships and hospital

cept by Zeppelin raids and submarin-

ships; having failed to subdue the

lars to create a favorable sentiment in

peace favorable to herself, though backed

by unlimited money and astute manage

ment, will prove to be another Ford

peace ship to get the men out of the

Neither mediation nor arbitration of

to an end. Mediation never brought any

great war to an end. There was no

mediation at the end of the Franco-

German war of 1870; there was no

Hanover or Schleswig-Holstein, nor at

the end of her war with Austria in

1866. Does any one suppose that Ger-

many or France will submit to media-

tion or arbitration the question whethe

Alsace-Lorraine shall remain with Ger-

any one suppose that England will sub

mit the question of the final position of

Helgium to mediation or arbitration

Does any one suppose that Russia will

of Serbia to her sovereignty and recom-

This pro-German move to help Ger-

osition only the more difficult. All the

Allies will resent the movement as

European interference during our civil

States so far in this war has been to

make all the money we could by selling

and planning to seize their foreign busi-

tributed about one per cent, of our way

profits to helping the Belgians, Serbians

Armenians and Russian Jews. We hav

always resented the charge that we wor-

peace, we should write ourselves down

as humble worshippers of the efficiency

which has been illustrated by massacres

horrors, and of the efficiency which dur-

ing the last few days has demonstrated

its desire for honorable peace by torpe-

100,000 Helgians into slavery to work

OUT WITH THE SHOVELS!

Rugged, Fun Loving Workers?

The Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

where snow is rare, seize an opportun

ity to have a jolly time in half an inch

FRANCE.

Would Our People See Her Despoiled

by Any Foe?

nobly stood by us at the proper time.

The Two Beauties of This World.

Hella-Snow and any woman who ge

Stella-What is always beautiful?

SON OF THE REVOLUTION

count of France and Belgium.

NEW YORK, December 15.

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PHILIP J. MCCAPPRET.

WARNER MILLER

doing hospital ships and sending over

for the destruction of Belgium

NEW YORK, December 15.

mighty dollar.

the belligerents food and ammuniti

The only action of

driving

million peaceful Armenians,

tory. She did not take Paris, she did

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I



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Economy, the Abandoned.

comed, their words heard respectfully and their prescription followed by citizens of thrifty dispositions. Today they will be fortunate if they removal from office.

Economy will do to talk about in party platforms and to recommend to our friends. It is not to be practised short cuts to extravagant living. It jobs, and disregarded, with the enthusiastic approval of their constituents, by job holders. In industrial life it serves to establish the point of departure for expensive efficiency experts. In the sacred precincts of the home it is occasionally esteemed by those who economize in the matter strengthen their wine lists. But the the most sanguine might be purdoned practical application of economy to for shirking. the ordinary affairs is something no modern would consider.

Nor are these progressive sociologists to be censured for refusing to take other than an academic interest in economy. They have been taught that it is none of their business to look out for their own affairs. The Governments at Washington, at Albany, at the City Hall, are charged with the regulation of their lives and the conservation of their interests. The once highly indorsed self-dependence of the individual has been replaced by dependence on political institutions that is implicit in its confidence and unlimited in its demands. If porterhouse steak is unattainable, the astute person does not content himself with stew, but howis for Federal Intervention; if hens pursue the course of nature and cease laying while they moult, rugged Americanism petitions the Mayor to reform conditions in the barnyard. eminent sociologists who have transformed the dismal science into a meaningless muddle of platitudes and benevolent aspirations.

In such a mess economy that means deprivation, close figuring. giving up things that could be comfortably used to promote the pleaseconomy, indeed, frequently means a threadbare pair of trousers, a hat of last senson's mould, a patched shoe, a remade dress. Under a beneficent, all powerful Government, there is no place for such humiliations.

Making the Cables Speak.

An announcement from the War Department of the discovery by Lieutenant-Colonel George O. Squies of a means for receiving cable messages audibly recalls the fact that with all the strides science has taken in the last sixty years the ocean telegraph ment but us acceptable to Washinghas remained dumb. Luckily for the world, when the weakness of submerged cables was discovered the genius of Lord Kelvin rose superior world, student of American affairs to the difficulties. If the cable would and well trained in international law not talk he would compel it to make und usage, Count Tarnowski should theatres as half the price of admission. signs. Not enough force was present in the wires to magnetize a Morse ing the pitfalls that snared his uninstrument into clicking when the fortunate predecessor. current was normal, but there was enough to influence a tiny mirror. Physical and Mental Qualifications backed with iron, suspended by a fibre of unspun silk. The mirror, weighing not more than a grain.

Law has demonstrated that certain swung from side to side as the circuit physical and mental qualifications are opened and closed. A lamp's rays were reflected from the mirror to a posed upon the aviator. Not only scale in a dark chamber. Thus the courage and endurance but a certain cable heliographed Europe's message, standard of physical fitness is re-At some stations a mere needle was quired from all those who are perused, but the strain on the receiver mitted to "fly." was intense. Nor was the job of following and interpreting the flashes vised certain tests to insure the posone for an unfit man. There was a session of qualities more delicate yet tradition many years ago that a ward not less indispensable which would in Bellevue was set apart for the make the functioning of the nervous wrecks of operators who watched the system of the aviator as nearly as mission flashes until their nerves collapsed, possible equal to the mechanical func- and a half cents to fifteen cents. However that may be, Lord Kelvin tioning of the airplane engine. The found a new method of receiving aviator must possess a maximum imcable messages, the siphon recorder perturbability and the capacity to exthat is still in use; an ingenious mech-lecute manuserres necessitated by any raism by which the flying signals sudden emergency of the mirror are conveyed to a mov-

will permit of the speed which has which can be started by the examine and the next day a cable company lays movement. The influence exercised a new rope on the bed of the sea.

Extravagance, which WILLIAM A. DAY of the Equitable Life Assurance Society urges his fellows in the is accepted for the final result. This Association of Life Insurance Presidents to combat, is taught to the American citizen as a virtue from his first introduction to public life Service may be well guarded. About many until the end of his days. 40 per cent, of the candidates have

He enters in infancy an extrava- been found incapable of responding gant kindergarten extravagantly to these tests. housed: he progresses through exravagant college.

merges to undertake, seriously or by insuring safety. otherwise, the duties of citizenship under an extravagant town or city government extravagantly organized ago their counsel might have been extravagance is an enemy of society. He casts his vote under the most ex-. travagant system that has been devised, choosing for office representaescape impeachment and consequent plans and pledge themselves to fur-

manifestations. It may be that in his private life by a generation seeking luxury lined heavily on him, that parent or friend perfectly only professionals and the of Mr. Schiff to aid Germany may preach to him the necessity of is applauded by candidates for public thrift; but the continuous, ever op- ploy professionals will have time or gance renders his mind incapable of ties; and nothing is to be gained by comprehending frugality as a credit-blinking the real situation. able quality. He is trained to look

trait, to be avoided at all hazards. Mr. Day wants the insurance companies to fight extravagance. Someof fur lined top coats in order to body should, but the job is one that

Count Tarnowski.

As the Entente Allies did not have leg to stand on when they objected to giving Count TARNOWSKI, the appointed Austrian Ambassador, a safe conduct to the United States, their surrender to the established rule of boats. international law under pressure from the State Department has been ungraciously delayed. The explanation may be that Great Britain desired to know, and has ascertained, who were to be members of the new Ambassa. dor's official household. Also Count TARNOWSKI'S activities at Sofia as the representative of Austria-Hungary may have been under the microscope. While "neutrals have a right to lemand that their intercourse with belligerents shall not be suppressed" (OPPENHEIM), it does not follow that an appointed Ambassador shall receive safe conduct without regard to voted by an overwhelming majority his record and his antecedents. He may be unfit. Disqualification may be shown. Especially may a belligerent protest.

It cannot be dealed that Ambassaparticularly Great Britain, solicitous about the calibre and character of his successor; but the fact that our State Department found Dr. DUMBA to be personn non grata should have made Great Britain reluctant to obstruct the passage of Count Tarxow ski to this country. Moreover, his friendship for EDWARD VII., who esteemed him, should have recommended him to Great Britain. Count Tarnowski was a favorite in London society when attached to the Austrian Embassy there, and no backstairs diplomacy could be traced to him. It really seems as if the Austrian Gov ernment had selected him as not only unobjectionable to the British Govern ton, where also he was an attractive

member of the Diplomatic Corps. Accomplished, tactful, man of the serve his country loyally, while avoid-

for Aviators. The recent achievement of RUTH demanded for the difficult tasks im- Japan, it is found that the little yellow

In France Dr. MARCHOUX has de-

In the French military service can has hap by a glass pencil filled with didates for aviation are subjected to Thus a permanent record is tests which show the rapidity of their ande and the operator need not stare perception and their reaction to visual, auditory and tactile impressions. If the Squier discovery or invention This is done by an electric chronomrevolutionize cable communicater, in which the circuit of a dial

seen the advantage of the telegraph and stopped instantly by pressure of system on land. It is too early to say a button placed under the finger of that the cable will soon be out of use; the candidate. The operator starts that the wireless telegraph and tele- the hand, and the candidate, whose phone will supplant it. All hands cheer eyes are fixed on the hand, presses new conquest of the ether waves- the button when he first notices the by the emotions on the action of the heart and respiration and on the musseries of experiments is performed rigorously in order that the safety of

tariff for revenue only he falls to follow cular contraction of the hand is also Mr. Wilson's admonition to be neutral in tested. Each candidate is subjected thought as well as act. This move is to ten experiments, the mean of which | entirely in the interests of Germany. German from the beginning of the war. Let me remind, you that Mr. Schiff, in the aviator and the advantage to the of the war, said he hoped to see Ger-

It is to be hoped that our public did overrun Belgium in defiance of travagant common schools in extrava- authorities may follow the example treaties, international law and scraps of gant buildings to an extravagant pre- of the French military service in this paper. She murdered hundreds of peaceparatory institution extravagantly tu- regard before licenses are issued to oring him for introduction to an ex- aviators, not only that their lives may burned universities, churches, cathedrals From his extravagant college he aviation may be properly conserved all previous Huns had saved and re-

As the State has forced on the poby an extravagant State, which con-litical parties through which its citi- She perpetrated the same nameless stitutes one-forty-eighth part in a fed- zens seek to express their will the barbarities as in Belgium. Having made erated nation extravagant beyond the direct primary system, in which the The statesmen at Washington who extravagant dreams of the most ex- paid solicitor and paid canvasser are tried officers to command the Turkish advise their countrymen to meet the travagant individual in its population, the most conspicuous and only essen-i troops, and stood calmiy on one side high cost of living by practising econ- He is taught by precept and by ex- tial factor, Governor WHITMAN is omy are weak, frivolous and reac- ample that extravagance is the most logical in recommending the installationary. They deserve no place in a virtuous of all virtues, and that he tion of a paid business manager to to die of hunger and exposure, and sellforward looking era. Half a century who falls to advocate and practise conduct the affairs of the Republican ing their young women into a slavery organization.

> Direct primaries, direct nominations and their train have the effect of excluding from political activities men tives who boast their extravagant of small incomes with little time to French people or to bleed France white. devote to public affairs. They clear as Bismarck promised to do forty years ther extravagance in all its costly the field of aspirants not well heeled, on her own terms. Having failed after the many he that in his private life appropriate to the plane of a the expenditure of many millions of dolcommercial or industrial enterprise. the burden of extravagance weighs When they have done their work the United States, the present move heavy pursed philanthropists who emerative incidence of public extrava- opportunity to take interest in poli-

As politics is by statutory enactupon it as a disgraceful, censurable ment to be a business, its regulation should be confided to professional managers; and no professional is expected to work without a salary.

Honor to the Salvation Army girls in red who stood at their posts by the Christmas kettles through the hard hours of yesterday's storm! THE SUN salutes them.

We rejoice over the saving of the twenty-six officers and men of the submarine H-3 stranded in Humboldt Bay, but wonder why so many things to our American undersea

It will contribute to the success of the peace parley if no "regrettable ac-

An American cattleman who speak as a personal representative of VILLA raid on Columbus, and knew nothing about it for twenty-four hours after the attack. Villa had been in camp for a week on the border due south of His propinquity will always be an awkward fact for the defence, also his precipitate flight to safety,

On the same day that the Danes United States the people of the islands in mass meeting resolved that they should be allowed to govern themselves under the American flag and dor Dumba's indiscretions were of a Porto Rico. Porto Rico has a proper nature to make the Entente Allies, grievance, which should be redressed. but it does not follow that little St. Thomas is sturdy enough to walk

> in New Jersey that applejack may have something to do with it.

War has made Japan rich, The course of immediately coming events will be influenced by this extremely

From all parts of the world goes up the cry: "Peace,-but nothing but a permanent peace!"

THE CINEMA ABROAD.

From Consul J. B. Osborne at Havre. tion picture shows in that city. At one performance in the Cinema Omina Pathé the show proper began. American films proved very popular, especially sensational many communities.

serial pictures. Tobacco shop in Havre give coupons which are accepted at the in the crisp atmosphere would do many ganisms of the rheumatic fevers. of us lots of good. A majority of boys.

Spain, are interested in dramatic films full

Turning to the report from Yokohama. Two and three reel dramas and one reel comedies bring forth bursts of applause. in Darien, Manchuria, there are three theatres, one of which is run by the South Manchuria Railway. This cinema palacis situated outside of the city limits and is inaccessible to vehicles. In stormy weather it is closed. Consul A. A. Will-iamson in his report mentions neither its audiences nor their preferences. The ad-mission fee in Darien varies from seven

These magic days we often pause While thinking of his zone. And wonder whether Santa Claus Has children of his own,

We think some legend he must tell, Some marvellous conceit, Adapted to the place they dwell With mystery replete.

And this perhaps may be the lore. The sweet unlikely myth; That presents come right in the door, Delivered by one Smith!

Ex-Senator Warner Miller Discusses Local Sentiment Concerning the Late Illustrious Jimmy Whistler.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Bir: see from the papers of the country that have read with interest and amuseme urge and enforce peace upon all the wise, in THE SUN relative to the lat can of protective tariff beliefs. Now as tion to a parkway in Lowell, which a devoted follower of Wilson and a latter an ungrateful city council is supposed not to be willing to name in honor of the distinguished artist on the

> In view of the fact that the parkway does not yet exist, except as a pious aspiration, and very probably never will exist at all; and in view of the further means refused to name the parkway for Whistler if it ever does exist; and in view of the still further fact that all this happened away back in the summer of the eccentric James return to rest in

However, THE SUN'S query as to whether the joke is on Lowell or on Whistler is pertinent. Lowell cannot quite make up her mind yet to forgive him for having once remarked, to a fresh be saved but that the interests of and public buildings and works of art and bumptious intruder claiming townsspected. She left the entire Belgian him Whistler refuses to be born in Lowell." But the city has got so far as to preserve the house in which the artist ucts. The ownership of one-half indubitably was born and to speak comfortably of his art. A few, moved by abiding animosities, have been heard to suggest that as the Whistler house afman, the new parkway might be better ing ministrations at a dollar the bottle have as yet no adequate local monuthe projected boulevard traverses what chiefly by Hellenes, have suggested calling it Avenue Acre-opolis.

But all these miss the point that by naming it for Whistler a chance for getting back at the forswearing artist is plainly offered. The acidulous exponent retort, so why not make the record of perpetual, and spite him? Refusal to recognize him in the city of his birth would be hugely appreciated by his malicious shade.

ALBERT WHISTLER WETTIN. Lowett, Mass., December 15.

CORN'S DEGRADATION.

Too Fine, the Meal of To-day Canno Repeat Old Triumphs. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Per-

haps the greatest reason that corn is no longer a favorite as an article of diet is world's production of gold. genius for destroying the food value of grains, have ground the corn into meal so fine that all of its goodness and most of its taste have been ground away. pudding, corn meal muffins, &c., made medium coarse milled Indian meal. the same preparations made from Eastern grown corn ground into big nourlittle mill down East as can be imagplenty of molasses to sweeten and give them a rich color they are loose grained and very emphatically stead of being compacted into a tight.

heartening mass. Give the people Indian meal with will quickly learn anew the delights of BROOKLYN, December 15.

THE GERM OF SCARLET FEVER.

The work of the English bacteriolof scarlet fever has in several ways rendered great service to the cause of claim to finality or to the absolute of Ancel and Haudouin on the bacillus tion of the diphtheria bacillus and the perpetuation of unspeakable

medicine has been made, but his resort of corroboration that independent works alone can give. His experiments, however, are far beyond the scope of the ordinary attempts of this successfully must continue to hold their own by the way in which they produce the characteristic blood ch What's a Little Snow to a City of in the white corpuscles. It must be admitted that a study of the morphology of Mair's bacillus shows that out-To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The side a few features which are new its fact that the Street Cleaning Commis- main characteristics are extremely sioner has asked for the passage of an like those of other germs, of rheumaordinance requiring householders to tism, for instance, which have not yet clear passageways for vehicles in case been accepted as definite types. of a snowstorm too heavy for the de- diplococcus scarlating, as Dr. Mair partment to handle alone is causing calls it is rather large. This may be onsiderable discussion. For my part explained by the fact that it is a trans-I don't see anything so terrible in this mutation form of an infinitely small proposal. There was a time when all younger stage. There is, of course, the snow that was not left for the not time to establish the genealogy of weather to take care of was shovelled the organism nor to trace its various off by each man in front of his own stages and transformations. Nowadays door, and that is still the custom in it is not uncommon to find that germs suffer spontaneous transmutation, a Shovelling snow for a couple of hours change specially illustrated by the or-

In the discovery of this new bacillus The Latins in Barcelona and Valencia. and many old young fellows, think it of Mair not only have several original can't we have snow shovelling bees in been noted but a great many difficulhired for from 40 to 80 cents, one may each block, in which the able bodied ties of diagnosis have been removed. males of the species under a chosen cap- Thus the new bacillus explains certain shall turn out to do the city, espe- tain manifestations of scarlet fever, cially our respective neighborhoods and the Doehle bodies, the sore throat and ourselves, a good turn, with incidental the rheumatism, and perhaps the mode of communication.

On the other hand Dr. Mair has not I understand, is asking for this volun- been successful in producing desquateer work only in case of an extreme mation and the rash in animals. emergency. The people of the South. Whether this failure is due to some peculiarity of the monkeys and other animals employed is unsettled. Lastly, he has not produced the toxin of scarlet fever in such a form that it can be made the subject of fixation tests or

Political Affiliations of a Faithful Dog. From the Easton, Pa , Daily Free Press

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: NO The ad- matter what happens in the peace negothe South Side, was presented with tiations. This country will not stand my hardships put on France, who so was ever captured in this vicinity. It was It was not France that started this war, and President Wilson must see to it that she is recompensed for the great losses it has inflicted upon her.

The deep down feeling of the people opossum he was so overcome that he the men, and to accept a settlement It was not France that started this in this country for the Allies is on ac after a short time he overcame his weak-ness and he sent out invitations to a few of his friends to meet him in Mrs. (iii-tuly's cafe. Second ward, Phillipshurg this evening, to partake of opossum, which will he conkest to W. Price, the celebrated that of the Raubeville Bungalow Asso-

tion, as is hinted, it must be that it is made once a second by a hand THE LEAGUE TO ENFORCE LOWELL AND THE BUTTER- HOW GREAT BRITAIN IS SOLVING THE FINANCIAL PROB. LEMS SET BY THE GREATEST OF WARS.

A Searching Analysis of the Elements of Economic Strength That Are Behind the Popular and Governmental Determination to Win.

English nation is the wealthiest. Its trade mbraces the globe. Its capital is incredibly large. Its resources are almost inex

was the estimate of England's ecor lower by the greatest German of them firmed this material primacy. During the possessor of one-quarter of the earth's surface, and has included under her dominion one-quarter of the world's inhabitants. Since the time of Napoleon she The diversity as well as the volume of her activities has been unique in the his inventor of the basic appliances of modern industry. By developing her stores of coal and metal she obtained the leverage for converting the raw material furnished by other countries into manifold values of manufactured prodworld's mercantile marine facilitated possession of these several factors of universal commerce constituted her the world's banker, gathering tribute from every international transaction, This dustry has resulted in the accumulation of capital beyond precedent, and these garnered resources have been invested throughout the globe, wherever they could reproduce wealth for motherland. Even colossal wars have been followed by emergence into greater prosperity and have served to illustrate the magnitude and durability of finan-

These prosperous conditions were present war. Her commerce was at the nighest level, having increased 50 per cent, in ten years. She had in the same period discharged \$1,250,000,000 of obligations, including some issues made for the prosecution of the Boer war. Her national estate includes 90,000,000,000 of dollars of wealth in permanent form 20,000,000,000 of dollars of investments n foreign and colonial securities, 15,000, 600,000 of dollars annual income, and bank deposits ranging near the \$6,000,-600,000 mark. Her currency rests upor the solid ground of real and convertible value, fortified by two-thirds of the

Secure in the possession of these elements of economic strength, Great Britain is financing this great war. Taxation and economy summarize

Their keynote consists in making provision for the payment of every liability at the time of its creation. the normal expenditures for the adminof pre-war outlays. Concurrently there are the expenditures represented by the interest and sinking fund on the obligations that have been issued for the

Upon a liberal estimate the total deb of the United Kingdom in August, 1917, is placed at 20,000,000,000 of dollars without crediting her with \$3,600,000,00 of advances which she has made to the some substance and taste to it, and they allied nations. At 5 per cent, average interest and 1 per cent, sinking fund this indebtedness would call for the payfunding basis has reduced the charge To this demand there should be added the ordinary expenditures of the Gov-

No country furnishes a standard for measuring the facility with which Great of paratyphold or Loeffler's cultiva- Britain can meet these revenue demands. Her annual savings, together with her If Dr. Mair has discovered the cause income from accumulated investment, prohibition of unnecessary imports arof scarlet fever a great advance in realize \$17,000,000,000 each year. Dur- rests extravagance at a tempting source sults as published will require the practically cease and current invest- temperance and sumptuary excess is esfor the present year.

fact that the British Treasury receives immense total of business transacted by the pound. Its broad application is ef- amount. Notably the yearly output of ment.

MR. GARRETSON, PLEASE. AMERICAN BUSINESS MAN. One of the Men Who Pay Your Salary

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIT; YOU say "a grand chief conductor must know everything," and if such is the plaints to the Federal Trade Commission put forward for abolishing the case possibly Mr. A. B. Garretson can clargely created to smell out imaginary electoral system of voting, a spare enough time from social functions evils in business), you say : to explain to a man who helps to pay him his salary why, after the men the four brotherhoods had voted in favor of "a basic eight hour day with time and a half for overtime for men in freight and yard service," and had lars, ever had any other conception? given their chiefs a 95 per cent, vote to strike in case this demand was not granted-why he and the other chiefs beautiful spossum in the blacksmith de-beautiful spossum in the blacksmith de-partment of the ingersoil works in Phil-ingersoil works in Phil-they accepted a settlement that hurts accepted any other settlement than the done any more for the growth of our the men in passenger service.

granting those wishes and demands only. Will Brother Garretson please enlighten me on this matter? A RAILROADER.

Mother-Weil?

baby for Santa Claus?

Among all the nations of Europe, the | fected by starting at low rates, produc- | British domestic and pacific industries ntensively upon incomes exceeding \$10,-000. From the entirety of incomes twothirds of the direct war taxes of Great have decreased only 25 per cent, sin Britain are derived. Thus they justify the historic tradition from the time of Pitt to the time of Gladstone that this ever flowing unit of wealth is the fiscal bulwark of the United Kingdom,

Indeed, the proposition was recently made in the House of Commons that mercial activity and the main portion fifteen shillings in the pound be levied on the great body of substantial un- the United Kingdom, even allowing earned incomes. This plan would have dovernment loans, but it would have been unjust to those income holders to bem. Besides, it would unduly impair sum of \$15,000,000,000 a year. volunteered to subscriptions for Governillustrates the extent of this perennial resource, which England may continupart in this war.

taxation are sufficiently fruitful to per-mit the broadest distribution. The well established system of succession duties presents another instance of large proveloped progression. Analysis of its 150,000,000 of dollars return to the of incomes, added to the amount Treasury shows that this collection likewise emanates in great part from large

The 60 per cent, excess profits taxation is the exceptional revenue product of the war. Its \$425,000,000 of outcome testifies to the large tribute which for her fiscal system, she taxefor its prosecution. As the Government is living on her revenue in time is practically the sole customer or con- as she did in time of peace troller of these factories, this revenue is sider the ethical as well as the in its essence the division of franchise sources infusing Great Britain's energy termination of the war, the Treasury will crease of her prosperity during the then no longer be called upon for that class of expenditure. Meanwhile this accruing revenue constitutes a valuable struggle moral considerations enter

The taxes upon domestic and foreign from customs and excise, which supply about 400,000,000 of dollars. The product from these sources is reduced by vaulting ambition, is an ina their subjection to higher dictates of parison with the present feeling tain articles of luxury is prohibited, and the sale of intoxicants is limited by fanaticism and cruelty, has the stringent regulation. Britain elects to vid determination of Britons burn forego revenue in order that her men ardently. The payment of a war substitute deposits in savings banks for substitute for ability to enter ous personal luxuries formerly absorbed inspires the wealthiest national 1,700,000,000 of dollars annually, and the world, its poor as well as its affine expenditure in these directions is still largely reducible for fiscal advantage.

revenue not derived from any species the overwher, ing strength of this service, the principal being the profits from postal, telegraph and telephone subscribe to war certificates. It so utilities, the receipts in the above category aggregating \$170,000,000.

The foregoing recital presents a very mperfect outline of British financial forces in this war. The expenditure is cellor of the Exchequer in present not a mere subtraction from the resources of the country. Some great budget known to English history compensating factors counterbalance the extraordinary outlay. Great Britain is num, at least until the adoption of a peculiarly the land of wastage. Her rate of consumption in time of peace vastly exceeded that of any other Euernment at the rate prevailing in 1913 of this wasteful expenditure was just ogist Mair on the nature of the germ and calling for 1,000,000,000 of dollars, as much subtracted from the reproduc-These total annual requirements of tive power of the nation as if it had 2,200,000,000 of dollars are fully pro- been assigned to military objects. Hence though it can hardly lay vided by tax receipts for the current the taxes collected to carry on this war

> In , ddition positive economies are ex ereising a manifold bearing upon the ing the war permanent improvements. The reduction in the expenditures on inments are absorbed mainly by govern- timated to exceed \$200,000,000. Econmental securities. These gigantic in- omy through governmental administracome funds and their increments con- tion likewise figures as a reducer of stitute the main tax sources of a surplus, public demands. Industrial England has of \$400,000,000 in the British Treasury been largely nationalized by the control of many departments of activity in the This fiscal result is favored by the interest of the public. By colossal puringes distribution of incomes among their own- chases of raw material in every quarter ers, enhancing their desirable charact of the globe English authority has beter as producers of revenue. Britain is come the sole buyer in some instances preeminently the land of moderate for- for her civilian as well as her military tunes as well as of large estates. Dec- requirements. In relation to certain ades upon decades of prosperity have products the Government also acts as produced a mass of recipients of un- the single vender to her citizens. By earned and fairly substantial incomes, fixing maximum prices for various arti- created an abnormal demand f numerically far beyond this element in cles of prime necessity she preserves. Their value has through this n other European country. Their the economic substance of the nation. owners can easily part with a large In short, the productive power of proportion of these receipts upon the Great Britain, whether from her past this enhanced price would call of the nation, merely by docking savings or her present acquisitions, is anybody, not even the Americal expenditures for superfluities, estimated the supreme test of her ability to mainat \$2,000,000,000 of disbursements each tain her credit. There are some unfailyear. This condition, so favorable for ing criteria of her success. As the stated amounts of deliars. Wh

the taxing power, is illustrated by the transaction of business implies profit, the pays for them in ingers of god 70 per cent. of the income taxes from the United Kingdom during the war is arned incomes. Twenty-nine thou- unerring proof of her profitable accresand taxpayers deliver to the exchequer tions. Her foreign trade exceeds \$5,000,-\$1,000,000,000, which exceeds the total 000,000 a year. Thirteen millions of tax receipts of the Government for the British tonnage is engaged in sea before the war. The average rate transportation, and her shipping earns been so dependent upon each levied upon income is five shillings in annually far in excess of the above material prosperity

We Can All See Now That the Muckrakers Maligned Him.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: In speaking of the small number of com-The absurdly few appeals to it justify a

as a square fighter and a decent citizen. Zens to vote on every national Who but a diminishing few humbugs, hoping to exchange their palaver for dol- citizen of this republic it Has the profession of medicine, jour- dential contest. There are t nalism, religion, law or any other a cleaner record, and has any of them look on at the recent nations country?

Some of us are so proud of the magnificent record of American business that we can ask where our sometimes free and always glorious country would stand only in name. He is an under if it were not for its business men.

LOUIS H. SCHMITT. PLANTSVILLE, Copn., December 13.

Child of the Jitney.

with all those highfalutin names for the one of greater service to the co proposed new coin. Call it a "hit." Corensurac, December 13.

ing \$200,000,000 from small incomes, and exceeds \$9,000,000,000. Her large exrogressing to 40 per cent. graduated ports are a continuing source of financia strength, constituting payment toward her foreign purchases. These experts 000,000 in market value. Britain shoul likewise be credited with the familiar factors of interest, freights, insurance

The receipts from this continued con expenditures in the United States and This fact renders it qui appreciable that the income of Go concentrate the entire taxing power upon ing the war, until it has reached the

The present rate of taxation assure the payment of all expenses and or standing obligations. The future fine liabilities, is assured by the constaand commensurate increase of taxable crease in national income, provisi accrue, even assuming that they have in the present ratio. And increase the rate of income tax on a large e would furnish a large surplus revenu for many years.

Great Britain realizes proximthe great goal of maximum provinher accrued nor accruing capital is not a paradox. In a great emergency like the pro-

military efforts of the nation. transfigured. The antagonism Napoleon, when Britain was opposing name of Spaniard was synony in sorldly substance as well as Britain possesses a notable source of thought and spirit. In Britain to-da tional impetus is everywhere apparen dustries. It has enlisted the of associated effort, from the Friend London. The financial outcome of in the following language of the s to the House of Commons the

In speaking of the country for heavier taxation Mr. McKenna of the country to space nothing to have made this statement

Britain is still the greatest

reditor of the world. Every

ation is her debtor to the exte calsed and is rabding from her o de all the money required fo and some billions for her allies Her domestic supplies of can liversion to home investment 00,000,000 usually invested countries. Her obligations at sought within the United Ki vestments. Therefore she has slightest occasion to exountries for the purpose of becomes orrower per se

ain and the United States are e-set enal purchases in this combecome substantially enumeronstraint upon Great Britain of the merchandise. Therefore contracting for the future d of credit, and whether that American or English, has a upon the financial status of el try. It is certain that no vast commercial relations.

COMPULSORY VOTING What of the Man Who Fluds No. didate Worthy of His Support

TO THE EDITOR OF THE ST conjunction with the recent tuting a direct vote for line conception of the American business man bility of compelling by law at Certainly when a man American citizens who were and who did not exhibit suffi

> feeted the entire land Every such citizen does n our democracy. If he is compa vote he will by sheer new forced to investigate, to some or

The results of such a sche-

terest to vote on a question

be to make the present that To the Editor of the Sun-So: Away better citizen in his own estima which he has sworn allesion-LEWIS M S

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